

SERGEANT METCALF SAVES TWO LIVES.

Brave Old Policeman Plunges in After Mother and Child.

While Others Looked On in Fear He Swam with Both to Safety.

Laughed with True Hero's Modesty at the Sobbing Mother's Words of Praise.

JUST A LITTLE VACATION DIVERSION.

Was Eating a Holiday Dinner When Alice Eastman Fell In, and Her Mother, in Trying to Save Her, Followed.

Sergeant Henry Metcalf, of the Bergen Street Police Station, Brooklyn, yesterday risked his life when he rescued Mrs. Alice Eastman and her little daughter from drowning.

Mrs. Eastman is the wife of a watchcase maker, and lives at No. 405 Eleventh street, Brooklyn. She is a slender, pretty, blue-eyed woman. Yesterday she took her three children—Alice, who is eight years old; Belle, who is six, and Edith, the baby—for an outing at Fort Hamilton. She was accompanied by two of her neighbors and their children.

All were sitting on Connelly's pier at 1 o'clock. Little Alice and Belle went occasionally to the steps that lead down to the water to watch several swimmers, and suddenly, with a cry, Alice fell into the water.

Mrs. Eastman, who is a very little woman, laid her baby on a bench and ran to the steps. When she reached them the child had disappeared, but as the little golden head bobbed up the mother made a frantic grab at it, missed her footing and fell in.

All on the dock were paralyzed with fear except a small boy who ran into a restaurant near by and cried that a woman and child were drowning.

Sergeant Metcalf, who is enjoying his vacation, and was eating his dinner there, dashed down to the pier and plunged in.

He is well into the fifties, and weighs about 250 pounds, but is a splendid swimmer. He grasped Mrs. Eastman, and, with one motion of his strong arm, pushed her up against the steps, where her friends helped her to safety. With a few powerful strokes Metcalf reached the child and brought her to the pier. Then the women overwhelmed him with praises until the sturdy old veteran blushed like a girl.

"Oh, that was nothing," he said, as the mother thanked him between her sobs. "These things are happening all the time. If I didn't fish you out, some one else would. That's all there is to it."

Neither mother nor child suffered much from her experience, and at home last evening Alice was as chipper as a cricket. "I do not know how to thank Sergeant Metcalf," said the mother, "for if he hadn't been so ready, both of us would have been lost. I never shall cease to bless him."

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LAWYERS READY FOR THE FRAY.

Say the Valuation Is Unjust, but Cannot Be Helped Because the County Needs the Money.

John D. Rockefeller's Tarrytown House.

When the Board of Assessors sent in its valuation for the year Mr. Rockefeller was astounded to learn that the assessment on his property had been raised from \$100,000 to \$1,000,000. This was accounted for by the numerous improvements that had been made on the estate during the year, but Mr. Rockefeller denied the justice of it, and instructed his lawyers to fight the matter in the courts.

PROPERTY VALUES FIXED FOR THE YEAR.

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"I guess so," said Sullivan, "but I will never play it unless I change my mind about going on the stage again. I think it is safe to predict that I will try the hotel business before I try anything else."

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